

## Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 SANTIAGO 06528 252025Z

16

ACTION ORM-01

INFO OCT-01 ARA-06 IO-04 ISO-00 SR-02 CIAE-00 DODE-00

PM-03 H-01 INR-05 L-01 NSAE-00 NSC-05 PA-01 RSC-01

PRS-01 SP-02 SS-15 USIA-06 SCS-02 SCA-01 EUR-08 NIC-01

DPW-01 AID-05 /073 W

----- 127090

R 251911Z OCT 74

FM AMEMBASSY SANTIAGO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 822

INFO US MISSION GENEVA 511

US MISSION USUN NEW YORK 932

C O N F I D E N T I A L SANTIAGO 6528

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: CI, PINS, SREF, SHUM

SUBJECT: DETAINEE RELEASE SITUATION

REF: SANTIAGO 6365

1.SUMMARY: RELIABLE WESTERN EUROPEAN DIPLOMATIC SOURCE STATES GOC HAS NOT REPLIED TO JOINT ICRC, ICEM AND CHILEAN COMMITTEE FOR REFUGEES MEMORANDUM CONCERNING RELEASE OF SECURITY DETAINEES, AND THAT ICRC PATIENCE WEARING THIN. IN CONTRAST, FOREIGN MINISTER TELLS US 500 DETAINEES HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED FOR RELEASE; ICRC REQUESTED CONVEY THIS INFORMATION TO SOVIETS; AND ICRC WORKING WITH ICEM ON RESETTLEMENT OF THESE DETAINEES AND THEIR RELATIVES. END SUMMARY.

2. RELIABLE WESTERN EUROPEAN DIPLOMATIC SOURCE TOLD EMBOFF OCT. 23 THAT TWO WEEKS AGO ICRC, ICEM, AND CHILEAN COMMITTEE FOR REFUGEES SENT JOINT MEMORANDUM TO GOC MINISTERS OF FOREIGN RELATIONS AND INTERIOR CONCERNING MODALITIES FOR ANNOUNCED RELEASE OF SECURITY DETAINEES. MEMORANDUM ASKED 20 POINTED QUESTIONS, SUCH AS: WHAT  
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 SANTIAGO 06528 252025Z

TRAVEL DOCUMENT WILL BEISSUED TO CHILEANS WHOM GOC

WISHES TO EXILE? WHEN, IF EVER, WILL THEY BE ALLOWED TO RETURN TO CHILE? WILL PERSONS ALLOWED TO REMAIN IN CHILE FACE POSSIBLE RE-ARREST ON SAME CHARGE? WILL ICRC REPS BE ABLE TO INTERVIEW EACH DETAINEE PRIVATELY TO ELICIT GENUINE RESPONSE AS TO THEIR PREFERENCE FOR EXILE OR REMAINING IN CHILE? TO DATE, NO GOC RESPONSE HAS BEEN RECEIVED, AND THREE ORGANIZATIONS HAVE SCHEDULED MEETING FOR OCT 25 TO CONSIDER THEIR FUTURE COURSE OF ACTION. SOURCE CAUTIONED THAT EXISTENCE OF MEMO IS CLOSELY HELD AND NO DIPLOMATIC REPS HAVE ACTUALLY SEEN IT.

3. SOURCE COMMENTED THAT ICRC APPEARS TO HAVE INCREASING DOUBTS ABOUT SINCERITY OF GOC PLEDGE TO RELEASE POLITICAL DETAINEES, NOTING THAT OVER A MONTH HAS PASSED SINCE CHIEF OF STATE GENERAL PINOCHET'S ANNOUNCEMENT, AND NO PERSONS AWAITING TRIAL OR ALREADY SENTENCED HAVE BEEN FREED (ALTHOUGH A NUMBER OF THOSE AGAINST WHOM NO CHARGES HAVE BEEN BROUGHT HAVE BEEN RELEASED). ONE ICRC CONCERN, ACCORDING TO SOURCE, IS THAT UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES DOES IT WISH TO BE A PARTY TO WHAT COULD BE INTERPRETED AS THE FORCED DEPORTATION OF LARGE NUMBERS OF CHILEAN CITIZENS, AGAINST THEIR WILL, ON ORDERS BY GOC. SOURCE OPINED ICRC PATIENCE IS WEARING THIN.

4. FOREIGN MINISTER CARVAJAL TOLD AMBASSADOR MORNING OCTOBER 25 THAT SOVIETS HAD REPLIED TO CHILEAN PROBE ON MUTUAL PRISONER RELEASE THROUGH SOVIET RED CROSS, WHICH THEN TRANSMITTED TO ICRC. WITHOUT COMMITTING THEMSELVES TO ANY ACTION, SOVIETS HAD SAID THEY WISHED MORE CONCRETE DETAILS OF CHILEAN PROPOSAL. GOC HAS ASKED RED CROSS TO INFORM SOVIETS GOC HAS IDENTIFIED 500 DETAINEES WHOSE RELEASE AUTHORIZED. ICRC NOW GATHERING INFORMATION ON THESE PRISONERS TO CONSULT WITH EMBASSIES OF COUNTRIES WHICH HAVE INDICATED DISPOSITION TAKE SOME OF THEM AND IS CONTACTING INDIVIDUAL DETAINEES TO DETERMINE THEIR WILLINGNESS TO EMIGRATE. CARVAJAL SAID ICEM WOULD BE ATTEMPTING TO DETERMINE HOW MANY RELATIVES OF THESE DETAINEES COULD

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 03 SANTIAGO 06528 252025Z

BE RESETTLED WITH THEM.  
POPER

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 01 JAN 1994  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** REFUGEES, DETENTION, POLITICAL PRISONERS, PRISONERS RELEASE  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Draft Date:** 25 OCT 1974  
**Decaption Date:** 01 JAN 1960  
**Decaption Note:**  
**Disposition Action:** RELEASED  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Authority:** shawdg  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Date:** 28 MAY 2004  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1974SANTIA06528  
**Document Source:** CORE  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** n/a  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** GS  
**Errors:** N/A  
**Film Number:** D740308-0249  
**From:** SANTIAGO  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1974/newtext/t19741016/aaaaamth.tel  
**Line Count:** 109  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM  
**Office:** ACTION ORM  
**Original Classification:** CONFIDENTIAL  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 2  
**Previous Channel Indicators:**  
**Previous Classification:** CONFIDENTIAL  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Reference:** SANTIAGO 6365  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Authority:** shawdg  
**Review Comment:** n/a  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 18 JUN 2002  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review History:** RELEASED <18 JUN 2002 by elyme>; APPROVED <12 MAR 2003 by shawdg>  
**Review Markings:**

Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
30 JUN 2005

**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Referrals:** n/a  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** DETAINEE RELEASE SITUATION  
**TAGS:** PINS, SREF, SHUM, CI  
**To:** STATE  
**Type:** TE  
**Markings:** Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005